FISCAL NOTE

SB 2814 - HB 2754

March 8, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL: Makes state surplus motor vehicles and forfeited vehicles, prior to sale or other disposition of vehicles, available without cost to the Commissioner of Human Services for use by family violence shelters.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Revenues - \$123,410 Increase State Expenditures - Less than \$100,000

Estimate assumes:

- the current fleet of passenger vehicles used by the state is comprised primarily of the Ford Taurus. The Motor Vehicle Management Division (MVM) in the Department of General Services estimates an average of \$2,870 will be received for each vehicle when sold as surplus. Currently, there are 43 family violence shelters. If at least one vehicle per shelter is claimed by the Department of Human Services, this would represent an annual loss of state revenues of approximately \$123,410.
- state expenditures will increase in the Department of Human Services for: (1) the development of rules governing the use of such vehicles by family violence shelters; and (2) for an additional staff person to coordinate this effort between the department and the 43 family violence shelters. It is assumed that liability insurance covering these vehicles and the drivers would be provided by the family violence shelters since these shelters are private organizations and not state entities. Therefore, it is estimated that the increase in state expenditures to the Department of Human Services would be less than \$100.000.

For information purposes, the Property Utilization Division earns 15% of anything sold which exceeds \$350 in value. In F 98-99, sales totaled \$2,487,493. Property Utilization retained \$479,444 and \$2,008,049 was returned to MVM and other departments.

The following should be noted: As of July 1, 1998, the Department of Finance and Administration (not the Department of Human Services) acts as a flow-through agency for state and federal family violence funds to the family violence shelters. The Department of Finance and Administration neither regulates nor licenses the shelters. At present, only 33 shelters are being funded.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director